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My unique perspective as someone experiencing the pandemic of COVID-19 is that of a student working towards a degree in the midst of chaos. I can contribute the perspective of an individual wishing to earn an education, and suddenly being sent home from my place of study, expected to continue my education via a computer screen for the majority of my assignments. I have watched as whole towns, cities, countries seem to have been shut down as part of an effort to social distance and prevent the spread of a virus. Never could I have imagined that soon to be graduates would have to settle for a virtual version of a commencement ceremony. My contribution is that of an individual who misses human interaction, physical contact with friends, family, and other loved ones; a person who wishes to do good in the world and will continue to persevere even through a challenge as great as the pandemic currently facing the world. In being isolated so much of the time during the pandemic I have found it difficult to use social media without feeling a bit sick to my stomach and wishing to be there with the people I see through the screen.